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From: Wooster, Richard

Sent: Fri 3/23/2018 6:36:17 PM

Subject: RE: correction on impairment status of Illinois River in Arkansas re: nutrients

Thanks Jim -

I have and will again advise my Division Director and Deputy Division Director of the necessary clarification. Given the opportunity, I will also personally inform my RA and Acting DRA of the error in our original draft of the concept paper.

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From: Havard, James

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Subject: correction on impairment status of Illinois River in Arkansas re: nutrients

Hi Richard -

My management has asked that R6 pass on the clarification that we discussed earlier this week on impairment status of the Illinois River in Arkansas. We understand the RA will be circling back with David Ross after any discussions at ECOS. Management in OW has asked that when the RA has that discussion with David Ross, that the Region make the clarification. As you know, based on information from the Region, we included in a note to David Ross the statement that portions of the River Watershed in both States are included on the States' 303(d) lists of impaired waters. As we since discussed, R6 staff has clarified that no Arkansas waters in the Illinois River Watershed are on the current 303(d) impaired waters list for nutrients. This is a result of the most recent EPA action on the consolidated Arkansas 303(d) lists. We understand from the Region that there are 3 Illinois River tributary creeks in Arkansas that had been on the impaired waters list (category 5) for nutrients before our recent action, but are now in category 4B (not meeting WQS, but adequate controls in place, so no TMDL required).

Can R6 please pass this clarification on to David Ross when the RA and David Ross connect?

Thanks!

Jim